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## Child of Light

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Humans. They are... something. Awe-inspiring would probably be the best way to describe them. I have never actually been near one in person, since the main way they interact with the world around them is with... well... light.

One of their main senses involves the ability to absorb electromagnetic radiation through a couple of organs and use it to observe the world. Plus, their skin is practically immune to the stuff.

I don't know what kind of freak event drove life down such a different path on their home planet, but they evolved on the planet's surface. While the rest of us evolved in the deepest depths of the sea, or in the hollow caverns far away from the light, *they walked in it*.

Their cities are exposed to the open atmosphere, their tallest buildings are literally called 'Skyscrapers', and they wake up each day while the sun shines down on them. Even when the dark tries to give them refuge, they refuse to abandon the light. At night their cities unleash their own flood of photons, so much so that they drown out even the stars above. We would *perish* if we went anywhere near a human settlement.

We block out the light, but they welcome it, and when there 'isn't enough', they make more! Humans are absolutely terrifying, but also so incredible. My species never dared to try to reach our planet's surface, we are content with staying underground, for we know that there is nothing outside other than light and death.

They are the opposite; they seek out the very thing that brings us decay. They were the first species we came into contact with, because they were the first to leave their home planet. They introduced us to many other species, all of which evolved in the nurturing dark.

It's funny, isn't it? If it weren't for Humanity, none of us would know of each other. We would all be stuck underground on planets spread far throughout the galaxy until the time came when the light finally consumed us, or the darkness that birthed us took us back.

I don't really know what to make of them. Some see them as demons who have forsaken the darkness and are trying to erase it, others see them as gods who have conquered death and are trying to show us the wonders of the universe.

At least there is one thing we can all agree on.

Living things as we know them are the children of the dark, and yet...

Humanity is the only child of light.